

## **COUNCIL ON HUMAN SERVICES**

### **MINUTES**

**September 9, 2015**

#### **COUNCIL**

Mark Anderson  
Phyllis Hansell  
Alexa Heffernan  
Guy Richardson  
Kim Spading  
Sam Wallace

#### **EX-OFFICIO LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS**

Representative Joel Fry  
Representative Lisa Heddens (absent)  
Senator Amanda Ragan  
Senator Mark Segebart

#### **STAFF**

Chuck Palmer  
Sally Titus  
Mikki Stier  
Jean Slaybaugh  
Bob Krebs  
Lorrie Tritch  
Carol Eaton  
Lanny Nihart  
Rick Fox  
Vicky Wiedemeier

Vern Armstrong  
Nancy Freudenberg  
Jody Lane-Molnari  
Joe Havig  
Amy McCoy  
Rick Shults  
Diane Barrett  
Kathy Blume  
Deb Johnson  
Brad Neuweg

#### **GUESTS**

Josh Bronsink, Senate Republican Staff  
Jerry Foxhoven, Drake University Law School  
Jess Benson, Legislative Services Agency  
Patty Funaro, Legislative Services Agency  
Kent Ohms, Legislative Services Agency  
Megan Bendixen, Iowa Medical Society  
Kris Bell, Senate Democratic Caucus  
Zeke Furlong, House Democratic Caucus  
Erin Davison Rippey, Planned Parenthood of the Heartland  
Sandi Hurtado-Peters, Department of Management  
Denise Rathman, Iowa National Association of Social Workers

Sheila Hansen, Child and Family Policy Center  
Kristie Oliver, Coalition for Families and Children's Services  
Anne Gruenewald, Four Oaks (via phone)

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mark Anderson, Chair, called the Council meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, in the first floor conference rooms of the Hoover State Office Building.

## **ROLL CALL**

All Council members were present. All ex-officio legislative members were present with the exception of Representative Heddens.

## **DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

Director Palmer thanked staff who were instrumental in developing the budget. He noted that this year's budget is based on the second year of a two-year budget recommended by the Governor.

## **BUDGET OVERVIEW**

Jean Slaybaugh, Division of Fiscal Management, reviewed pages 2-1 through 2-5 with the Council covering total DHS clients served as of June 2015 and comparisons of the SFY 2016 enacted appropriation and the SFY 2017 Governor's Budget Recommendation.

Ms. Slaybaugh introduced Joe Havig to the Council. Mr. Havig was recently named Bureau Chief, for the Bureau of Budget and Planning.

## **SFY 2017 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS**

Staff presentations were provided to the Council on each section of the appropriation requests. The presentations provided an overview of the agency's work with nearly 983,000 Iowans who benefit from the programs and services administered by DHS. The budget recommendations are on file in the Director's Office.

The following appropriations were discussed in detail:

## **IMPROVE IOWANS' HEALTH STATUS**

Medical Assistance (Mikki Stier, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise)  
Medical Contracts (Mikki Stier)

Children's Health Insurance Program (Mikki Stier)  
Iowa Health and Wellness Plan (Mikki Stier)  
State Supplementary Assistance (Bob Krebs, Division of Adult, Children and Family Services)

## **PROMOTE IOWAN'S BEHAVIORAL AND DISABILITIES HEALTH STATUS**

Director Palmer noted that the mental health system is evolving especially in the children's mental health arena. The legislature has tasked the Department to facilitate a workgroup of stakeholders to make recommendations relating to children's mental health. This work group will be co-chaired by Anne Gruenewald, CEO, Four Oaks and Jerry Foxhoven, Executive Director of Clinical Programs at Drake Law School.

Rick Shults, Division of Mental Health and Disability Services, reported that the usage of the PMIC (Psychiatric Medical Institution for Children) program at the Independence Mental Health Institution has declined in recent years. No youth are currently being served in the Independence MHI PMIC primarily due to the increased capability and capacity in the community. Jerry Foxhoven and Anne Gruenewald shared their perspectives regarding the usage of PMICs in the State.

Shults reviewed the following appropriations:

Cherokee Mental Health Institute  
Independence Mental Health Institute  
Glenwood Resource Center  
Woodward Resource Center  
Conner Training  
Civil Commitment Unit for Sexual Offenders  
State Payment Program  
Property Tax Relief Fund (MHDS Regional Funding)

## **IMPROVE SAFETY, WELL-BEING, AND PERMANENCY FOR IOWA'S CHILDREN**

Child Abuse Prevention (Bob Krebs)  
Adoption Subsidy (Bob Krebs)  
Child and Family Services (Bob Krebs)  
Eldora State Training School (Rick Shults)  
Comprehensive Family Support Programs (Bob Krebs)

## **IMPROVE IOWAN'S EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC SECURITY**

Family Investment Program/PROMISE JOBS (Bob Krebs)  
Food Assistance (Bob Krebs)

Child Care Assistance (Bob Krebs)  
Child Support Recovery (Vern Armstrong, Division of Field Operations)

## **EFFECTIVELY MANAGE RESOURCES**

Field Operations (Vern Armstrong)  
General Administration (Jean Slaybaugh)  
Volunteers (Vern Armstrong)

## **TANF and SSBG**

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Jean Slaybaugh)  
Social Services Block Grant (Jean Slaybaugh)

## **COUNCIL VOTE**

A motion was made by Spading to approve the proposed FY 2017 budget including state and general funding, related federal funding, and other funding including TANF, SSBG, the Health Care Trust Fund and all other sources of funding as associated with the DHS budget request document. Richardson seconded. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

A motion was made by Spading to allow the Department to make adjustments, including federal match rate changes, necessary to the Council's FY 2017 budget recommendations. Hansell seconded. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **RULES**

Nancy Freudenberg, Bureau of Policy Coordination, presented the following rules to Council:

Amendments to Chapters 24, 25, 78, 83, 88 and 90, Medicaid. Revise which versions of medically-related resource manuals are used within Medicaid as specified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

A motion was made by Richardson to approve and seconded by Heffernan. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Amendments to Chapter 77 and 80, Medicaid. Update the credentialing requirements as developed by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists. Amendments also update which claim forms are to be used for Medicaid billing purposes.

A motion was made by Hansell to approve and seconded by Heffernan. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Amendments to Chapter 78, Medicaid. Provide for coverage of telehealth services under the Medicaid program.

A motion was made by Heffernan to approve and seconded by Wallace. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Amendments to Chapter 79, Medicaid. Change the current threshold of inpatient readmissions within 7 days at the same hospital to inpatient readmissions within 30 days at the same hospital. These amendments were adopted and filed emergency at the July 15, 2015 Council meeting and published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin as ARC 2075C.

A motion was made by Wallace and seconded by Heffernan. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Amendments to Chapter 83, Medicaid. Mandates use of the Supports Intensity Scale developed by the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

A motion was made by Richardson and seconded by Spading. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Amendments to Chapters 109 and 170, Child Care. Revise rules regarding child care providers who are currently allowed to operate child care facilities considered “exempt” from DHS licensing because they are administered under contract to the Iowa Department of Education.

A motion was made by Wallace and seconded by Heffernan. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **REPORT OF NOTICED ACTION**

N-1 Amendments to Chapters 77, 78 and 79, Medicaid. Implements the provider qualifications, service scope and reimbursement methodology for community-based neurobehavioral rehabilitation residential and intermittent services.

N-2 Amendments to Chapters 77, 78, 79 and 83, Medicaid. Changes provider qualifications, service scope, duration, limitation and reimbursement methodologies for HCBS Prevocational and Supported Employment Services.

N-3 Amendments to Chapter 78, Medicaid. Changes the name of the Assisted Living on-call service to the “Assisted Living” service. Also adds a CMS requirement for a documented daily assisted living encounter with members.

N-4 Amendments to Chapters 150 and 202, Child Welfare. Implements five percent (5%) rate increases for services from specified child welfare providers.

A motion was made by Hansell to accept the Report of Noticed Action and seconded by Richardson. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Mikki Stier and Deb Johnson updated the Council on the rules regarding the cap of monthly costs for services provided under the intellectual disability waiver. Due to the high volume of comments received on these rules, the Department has scheduled oral proceedings to be held in each of the Department's five service areas between October 21 and 22, 2015.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Wallace to approve the minutes of August 12, 2015 and seconded by Heffernan. MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Council on Human Services will be Wednesday, October 14, 2015.

Council adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sandy Knudsen  
Recording Secretary

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